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## **BRIEF ITEMS OF INTEREST.**

Messrs. Walter J. Simmons & Co. have a large assortment of caps, with which they have been supplying Norfolk, Portsmouth and Berkley. Pickett-Buchanan Camp, Confederate Veterans, will meet in their hall at 8 o'clock this evening to complete arrangements for laying the corner-stone of their monument.

The Norfolk, Virginia Beach and Southern railroad was the only line that ran its trains on regular schedule time during the blizzard. The management is given great credit by patrons for their achievement.

"Geisha" matinee to-day at the Academy at 2:30 p. m. Prices, 25c., 50c., 75c. and \$1.00.

Mr. W. N. Gregory, of Elizabeth City, N. C., was in our city yesterday on business.

Mr. E. S. Towson, of Bristol, is in the city.

Mr. J. L. Keen, Jr., of Grifton, N. C., was in Norfolk awhile yesterday.

Mr. A. Stengle and his son, Mr. Geo. Stengle, of Delaware, who came here to attend the funeral of Mrs. Charles I. Stengle, were unable to return home yesterday on account of the New York, Philadelphia and Norfolk steamer being ice-bound.

The social function which was to have been given by the Montefiore Social Club last night and was indefinitely postponed, has now been slated for Thursday night.

Considerable suffering is reported by the police and relief societies. Money, clothing, shoes, coal, wood and provisions are needed to meet the demands for assistance.

The introductory degree of the Order of Hecateus, or S. W. M., will be conferred by a well trained team at the meeting of the Fellowship Conclave next Friday night on a number of candidates, among whom are three ministers.

The employees of Messrs. Watt, Ilett & Clay yesterday morning raised a purse of \$12 and sent it to Chief Kizer, of the police force, for the relief of the needy Virginia street family.

There were quite a number of pedestrians of the gentler sex on the streets yesterday, but they found walking both difficult and unpleasant.

Messrs. John A. Arrington and W. E. Merritt, of Wilmington, arrived in Norfolk yesterday afternoon.

There was a very perceptible drop yesterday in the temperature of the weather.

The delayed trains and steamboats gave the hotel people a comparatively holiday yesterday, as well as Monday.

People who were compelled to be in the open air Monday and yesterday unanimously characterized "beautiful snow" a baseless dream.

Norfolk and Ocean View steamer Granite City cut her way through to Old Point and will try to make regular trips to-day. Cars are running all right to Ocean View.

Mr. W. J. Donald, who has been critically ill at the Atlantic Hotel since Friday night, was reported better yesterday. His attending physician, Dr. Southgate Leigh, has hopes of his patient's recovery. Mr. Donald is in his 55th year.

Rev. Dr. H. E. Johnson, of Cumberland Street M. E. Church, has returned from Petersburg.

The revival services which were to have been held this week at the First Baptist Church have been postponed on account of the weather.

The State quarantine for cattle is booked to go into effect to-day. An effort is being made to have it postponed.

Six car loads of finished stone for the Confederate monument are on their way to Norfolk, but are presumably snow-bound.

Outdoor building operations have been very much interfered with for the past twelve days on account of the weather.

The North Carolina Pine-Association failed to meet in quarterly session yesterday on account of the weather.

Rev. A. S. Lacy, of St. Luke's Episcopal Church, who has been conducting a mission in Petersburg for the past week, returned home yesterday. Although the weather was unpropitious the mission was largely attended.

To-day is Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent.

None of the public schools were opened yesterday on account of the snow rendering it difficult for pupils to attend.

## **BRAMBLETON WARD.**

The street committee of the Brambleton Local Board of Improvement gave orders yesterday morning for the employment of from fifty to 100 men to remove the snow from the street crossings and intersections. This will give employment to residents of the ward who desire it. Quite a force was employed during the day.

Two members were received into McKendree M. E. Church Sunday morning.

A rumor that a wreck had occurred on the Virginia Beach railroad yesterday could not be verified.

Several entertainments that were to come off in this ward this and to-morrow evenings have been postponed on account of the weather.

Dr. W. B. Meredith had two very valuable hunting dogs badly injured yesterday by being struck by the snow plow of one of the Norfolk and Western engines. He thinks he will be able to save one of them.

The weather yesterday prevented the usual weekly meeting of the Brambleton W. C. T. U.

The Brambleton Independent Democratic Club will meet at their rooms on Brambleton avenue at 8 o'clock to-morrow night.

The services at the Memorial Christian Temple to-night will be of a specially interesting character.

There is almost a wood famine in the ward at present. It is said that one of the wood dealers is retailing it by the stick unsawed, and that buyers have to cut it at home.

There is a great deal of suffering among the poor of the ward, and the Brambleton W. C. T. U. and King's Daughters will be glad to receive contributions for them.

Read J. W. Phillips' "ad." of Steamboat lines. ja28-1m\*

See Dr. Weck about your eyes. Examination free. 210 Main street.

## **ATLANTIC CITY WARD.**

The Church and Main street line of cars managed to extend their trips yesterday into the ward as far as the corner of Olney road and Colley avenue. They hope to make through trips to-day.

The Silver Cross Circle of the King's Daughters held a meeting at the residence of Mrs. Howell, on Camp avenue, yesterday and adopted measures looking to the relief of the worthy poor of the ward.

The residents turned out in force yesterday and cleared away the snow from the sidewalks, making it more pleasant for pedestrians.

The congregation and Epworth League of LeKies Memorial M. E. Church will hold a union service to-night.

Rumor says that two marriages will take place in the ward next week.

If the weather of yesterday continues without interruption the oyster trade will resume its wonted activity and the packers will be kept busy for some time filling orders already on hand.

## **AMUSEMENTS.**

### **THE GEISHA.**

This beautiful comic opera was presented at the Academy of Music last night to fair business by a company from Daly's Theatre. The performance was satisfactory to a high degree, and was received with marked enthusiasm, many of the gems of the opera being repeatedly encored.

The company includes many very clever performers, the work of Miss Maud Bliss as O Mima San, and that of Miss Mollie Seamore being worthy of special praise.

The costumes are new and very handsome, and the stage settings are elaborate and complete in every detail.

"The Geisha" will be repeated at matinee to-day and to-night "The Circus Girl" will be presented by the same company.

CONGRESSMAN HANDY'S LECTURE.

Hon. Levin Irving Handy, of Delaware, will lecture at the Academy of Music Thursday (to-morrow) night under the auspices of the Norfolk Lyceum. The subject of Mr. Handy's lecture will be "The Road to Victory, or Triumphant Living." Mr. Handy is an orator of national reputation, possessing the faculty of gaining and holding the interest and attention of an audience and carrying them with him into the very heart of his subject. His lecture last year on "Patrick Henry" was enthusiastically received. To hear him is to be delighted and instructed.

HOYT'S "A STRANGER IN NEW YORK."

To "A Stranger in New York," which comes to the Academy of Music Friday night, belongs the distinction of playing to a larger and more enthusiastic audience last season than any of the other Hoyt comedies. Its presentation was greeted with enthusiasm. It is stated that the plays Mr. Hoyt has contributed to the stage in the past, none have proven a stronger drawing card than this. It offers wide scope for the display of this clever author's versatility and is replete with bright lines, witty flings, talented people and up-to-date features. The songs are new and of the catchy order. The dialogue is keen and penetrating, while the story is a picture of every day life in the great metropolis.

## **DEATHS AND FUNERALS.**

### **MR. FRANK JONES.**

Mr. Frank Jones departed this life at the residence of Mr. Charles C. Lovett, at No. 125 Falkland street, Monday, aged 32 years. His remains will be forwarded via the Norfolk and Carolina railroad for interment.

### **MRS. SARAH SELIG.**

The obsequies of Mrs. Sarah Selig, who died at her home, No. 50 Penchurch street, Monday morning, will be held from the residence at 11 o'clock this morning.

### **MR. T. O. WISE.**

Mr. T. O. Wise, son of Mrs. Susan C. Wise and the late Mr. T. O. Wise, of this city, died of pneumonia at the residence of his mother, No. 40 Dartmouth street, last night, in the 36th year of his age. The deceased leaves a wife and two children. The funeral will be announced later.

### **THE POETOLIV RWENDEL HOLM'S WITNESS.**

The great poet, Oliver Wendell Holmes, once said: "If all drugs were thrown into the sea, it would be all the better for mankind, and all the worse for the fishes." Of course the genial poet referred only to poisonous drugs as used by most physicians. He certainly could not have meant all medicines, for Nature, in her woods and fields, has been most prolific in yielding up her treasures of harmless, vegetable remedies for every disease. The wonderful discoveries of the famous Dr. Greene, of 35 West 14th St., New York City, amply prove the fact. Indeed, this skilled specialist in the treatment of nervous, chronic and lingering complaints, uses in his enormous practice, absolutely no poisonous drugs, but confines his treatment solely to the use of harmless vegetable remedies. His world-wide known medicine, Dr. Greene's Nervura blood and nerve remedy, is only one of his many remarkable discoveries. His extraordinary success in curing diseases of whatever name or nature, the innumerable restorations to health under the use of these marvelous curative medicines as prescribed by Dr. Greene, establish beyond doubt that Nature has provided remedies for each and every phase of disease, and that Dr. Greene, by his deep investigation and his enormously large experience, has discovered and prepared remedies which surely and certainly cure these complicated cases of chronic disease. Any sufferer can demonstrate this fact, as Dr. Greene gives all the privilege of consulting him, personally or by letter, absolutely free of charge. If you are out of health and have failed to be cured, see Dr. Greene at once, or write to him freely and fully about your case. You can do so in perfect and absolute confidence. He will explain your complaint and advise you what to do to be cured.

## **AN HISTORIC OLD HOMESTEAD**

The Hoggard House on the Banks of Broad Creek.

## **A PICTURESQUE DWELLING**

Built Two Hundred Years Ago of Brick Brought From England—The Property Deeded From Lord Bacon and Has Never Been Mortgaged or Insured—Grand Father's Clock Still Ticking and Tocking.

In a grave of elms, upon the banks of Broad Creek, is located the historic "old Hoggard homestead," one of the most picturesque and interesting "old Virginia homes" now remaining intact in the State. For about 250 years this property has remained in the Hoggard family, and has the distinction of never having been "written up" by an insurance company or "recorded" by a money-lender, who takes deeds of trust for favors rendered.

### **OVER A THOUSAND ACRES.**

The old Hoggard homestead contained originally over a thousand acres of land, and was deeded to Thurmer Hoggard the first by Lord Bacon, who came into possession of it by grant from the crown of England. Prior to 1700 Mr. Thurmer Hoggard erected upon the property the large brick house that is still a monument to the good quality of ancient architecture. The bricks came from England, being used possibly as ballast by vessels coming to this port for cotton, tobacco, etc.

The mortar was of shell lime, and is to-day as hard as stone. The door and window sills are of heart cedar and the sleepers are of heart gum 3x12 inches, and all in a perfect state of preservation. The brick walls are two feet thick, the foundation extending ten feet in the ground. There is a large cellar under the entire building. The roof was originally of shingles, but sixty-three years ago the present owner covered the house with slate.

The entire dwelling is at present in perfect condition, and bids fair to be the home of many more generations.

### **ANTIQUITY FURNITURE.**

There are still in the dwelling many pieces of furniture that were brought from England by the original Hoggard settlers. The most interesting piece of this antique furniture is a grandfather's clock that has been ticking the time upon the broad stairway ever since the house was built, and is to-day keeping perfect time, equal to any modern invention of beauty and skill.

Another interesting relic is an old sword that was used by Nathaniel Hoggard in the Revolution, and is now very slightly tarnished. It is quite a large weapon, and is of the finest steel and workmanship.

Of course, all these things are highly prized by the present owners, who take great pride and pleasure in showing them to visitors.

### **DIVIDED AND SUB-DIVIDED.**

The number of acres of land that originally belonged to the old homestead have been greatly reduced, having been divided and sub-divided, as the several generations grew to manhood and were married. With the exception of 130 acres, which were sold since the late war, there have been no deeds except of partition, the oldest descendant of each generation getting the "homestead."

### **SIX GENERATIONS BORN THERE.**

There are now living three generations, making six in all, who were born on this historic property. Thurmer is the family name, and with one exception only that of the second generation, when Thurmer died and Nathaniel succeeded to the estates, it has been held by "Thurmer," being the family name and heir.

### **THE HOGGARD GENEALOGY.**

Thurmer Hoggard, the first, married a Miss Susanna, of England, and to them were born four sons and four daughters. One son, Nathaniel, lived, who owned the home. He married Miss Gordon, and four sons and four daughters were born to them. Nathaniel fought in the Revolutionary war.

Nathaniel's son, Thurmer, succeeded his father to the estates. He married Miss Harriet Harding, daughter of Dr. James Harding, of England, in 1808. He served in the war of 1812. To this marriage were born four sons and four daughters. His oldest son, Thurmer, lived to help the homestead, and married the daughter of Mr. Thomas Cornish.

From this union three sons and three daughters were born. The three sons and two daughters are now living. Thurmer, the oldest, being still unmarried.

Horatio, the second son, married Mary N. Herbert, daughter of Colonel Ed. H. Herbert, who was also of English descent. To them have been born three sons and six daughters, and eight of the children are still living. The oldest is the fifth Thurmer, but the sixth generation, as one was named Nathaniel, the second generation.

Thurmer and Horatio were both gallant soldiers in the civil war, '61 to '65. Thomas J. Hoggard, the third son of Nathaniel the fourth, married Miss Etheridge. They have three daughters and are residents of Norfolk. He is junior partner of the well-known real estate firm of H. C. Hoggard & Co.

The Messrs. Hoggard are justly very proud of their family and the "old homestead."

The Birds are Starving.

A gentleman from Princess Anne says that the snow is about fourteen inches deep in the county and that partridges are suffering for food and will die unless they are fed. He says that if the farmers will place a few bushels of grain in the brush, where it can be fed upon by the birds, that many of them will be saved for next season's shooting. Unless this is done they will be scarce next year.

New Assistant Superintendent.

Mr. Elmore Phelps and wife, of the Central Union Mission of Washington, have arrived in the city and been installed as assistant superintendent and matron of the Union Mission of this city. Mr. Phelps and his wife succeeded Mr. D. E. Roberts and wife, who recently resigned these positions.

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